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Our new Parasols have all been received and the selection now is as good, if not better, than it will be during the season. All our fine and most fashionable Parasols are canopy top. Don't buy any other.

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NEW CAPES, JACKETS AND COLLARETS.

All in and on sale to-day. A few of these readymade garments will be in our show windows, but not the finest or handsomest. Same will apply to our Parasols. We never put the best in the windows. Exposure injures them more or less.

We have ordered shipment of our new Shirt Waists and they will be along in a few days. Our Shirt Waists are all made to order and after the most approved patterns. They will be advertised as soon as received.

Expect to have a good deal to say about Imported Wool Dress Goods and Silks next week in the dailies. They are coming.

GEO. R. TAYLOR.

THE NEW SCHOOL

Building Over in Martin's Ferry to be Dedicated.

CEREMONIES OF TO-MORROW

Will be Very Elaborate—A Grand Street Demonstration will be the Opening Feature—Many Organizations will be in Line—The American Flag to be Raised—Addresses by Dr. Riker, President Aldridge and Others.

The dedication of the Central school building, Martin's Ferry, takes place to-morrow afternoon. There will be a parade at 1 o'clock, consisting of the Alumni, teachers and pupils, Junior and Senior American Mechanics, of Martin's Ferry and other places; G. A. R., Odd Fellows, Knights of Golden Eagle, Knights of Pythias and perhaps other societies.

The procession will be headed by the Opera House band of Wheeling. Thomas L. Williams will be chief marshal. The parade will form on Fourth and Hanover streets and the line of march will be on Fourth, Hanover, Fifth, Short Fourth, Hanover, First, Jefferson, Fourth, Madison, Broadway, Jefferson and Fourth to school building, corner Fourth and Hickory.

The band of education will have the first half of the programme and the Junior Mechanics the second half. The programme will be as follows:

Musical. Dedication prayer, by Rev. Dr. J. W. Robins.

Song by the Alumni. Address by Mr. M. Aldridge, president of the board of education.

Presentation of keys to superintendent of schools.

Response by the superintendent.

Song, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Presentation of flag by Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker, of Wheeling.

Flag raised and saluted.

Address by Mr. A. W. Harris.

Musical. "Why the American Flag Should Fly Over Our Schools," by William S. Ellifritz.

Benediction.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

The Grand this evening—"A Country Merchant."

The Beabout club will give its regular dance this evening.

"The Fire Patrol" comes to the Grand the first half of next week.

LaBelle Lodge, A. O. U. W., will give an entertainment in Mozart hall, Eighth ward, this evening.

One plain drunk paid \$1 and costs in the police court yesterday, and that was the only case on the docket.

Handsome new scarlet and blue uniforms have been received by the Opera House band, and will be worn Saturday for the first time.

The Frederick Bancroft company, which appears at the Opera House to-morrow afternoon and evening, is resting here for a couple of days.

The different rooms at Clay school were photographed in groups yesterday.

The forces at the various houses of the city fire department are also having their pictures taken this week.

Last evening Officer McCausland arrested a colored man on a plain drunk charge. The prisoner gave the rather peculiar name, for an American citizen of African descent, of Henry O'Connell.

Last evening the North End Literary and Athletic Association gave a very enjoyable ball at its club house, at the head of Seventh street. It was largely attended, and all had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

The Natural System of music as taught in the public schools here, is attracting outside attention. Miss Creel, of Cincinnati, O., and Miss Harvey, teacher of music in the Canton, O., public schools, were here yesterday inspecting its workings and expressed themselves as much pleased.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

J. W. Flynn and wife, of Mannington, photographed at the McLure last evening.

John P. Reagan, of Bradford, Pa., a prominent oil operator, was at the McLure.

Messrs. James R. Stathers and W. G. Agnew, of Sistersville, were in the city yesterday and photographed at the McLure.

Mr. Frederic Bancroft, the magician, and Mlle Adelle Parols, of Brighton, England, a member of his company, are at the McLure.

Mr. Harry Waters and Mr. Miller, of Butler, Pa., are the guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Howard Thompson, of the McLure House.

Hon. Julius Caesar Holmes, the Jefferson county sage of Democracy, was in Wheeling yesterday, en route home from the Parkersburg state committee meeting.

Colonel Barney Forest, a well known Pittsburgh oil magnate, was at the McLure, on his way to Waverly, where he is largely interested in important developments.

A party of Wheeling people, officials and directors of the Lemmon Oil Company, of Wheeling, leave this morning for the Cairo oil field where they have a well that has reached the top of the sand and is making a fine showing for the "stuff."

CLYDE DOWDELL DEAD.

A Former Wheeling Young Man a Victim of Consumption.

Mr. Sam B. Harrison, of the McLure house, last evening received a letter from Mr. O. A. Dowdell, of Bethesda, Belmont county, Ohio, conveying the sad news of the death on Wednesday evening at 5:30 o'clock, of his son, Clyde O. Dowdell, of consumption. The young man lived in Wheeling several years, being night clerk at the McLure, and later was manager of the Muncie billiard rooms. A year ago he went to Colorado, hoping the climate there would improve his health. He became worse rapidly and came back to his old home at Bethesda. For several weeks he had known the end was near at hand. Clyde had a host of friends here who will regret to hear of his death.

The funeral takes place to-day at 11 a. m. (Central time), at Bethesda. Several friends from Wheeling will attend.

ALTHOUGH many remedies are pushed into the market by spice and verticements, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup still takes the lead.

WANTED, to exchange, a good sound seven years old work horse, weighing 1,000 lbs., for one of the same general character, weighing say 1,200 lbs. Apply to Wheeling Paper Company.

Home Seekers' Excursion.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to see the western country and enable the home-seekers to secure a home in time to commence work for the season of 1896, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway has arranged to run a series of four home-seekers' excursions to various points in the west, northwest and southwest, on the following dates: March 10, April 7 and 21, and May 5, at the low rate of two dollars more than one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be good for return on any Tuesday or Friday within twenty-one days from date of sale. For rates, time of trains and further details apply to any coupon ticket agent in the east or south, or address John R. Pott, District Passenger Agent, 486 William street, Williamsport, Pa.

A NEW RICHMOND

Enters the Field for Clerk of the Circuit Court—Deputy Clerk Walton Gets a Great Honor for the Position.

The following self-explanatory correspondence passed yesterday. The most notable thing about it is the fact that the signers of the first letter are not confined to one party. The office referred to is not in any way a political one, and all who know anything about it can heartily endorse the good things said of Mr. Walton by leading members of the bar:

WHEELING, W. VA., Feb. 27, 1896.

Col. John Walton.

Recognizing the importance to our bar and courts as well as the interest of the public of having in the office an efficient clerk of the circuit courts, and knowing that you are, by reason of legal education and your fifteen years' experience as deputy clerk, better equipped to perform the peculiar and exacting duties of the position than any new and untried man could possibly be, we urge you to publicly announce yourself as a candidate for that office, believing that you will surely be elected thereto by the people. Your long, faithful and intelligent service as deputy clerk in that office, for insufficient compensation, has kept you a poor man, and for that reason your election should and we believe will be made easy for you. Every lawyer and person having business with our courts knows that your ability and experience are necessarily invaluable to the proper conduct of that important office. The fact that you are a disabled old soldier with a splendid and attractive record will help you with the right-thinking people. Please advise us of your conclusion.

Henry M. Russell, G. B. Caldwell, A. J. Clarke, G. L. Cranmer, George E. Boyd, Geo. R. E. Gilchrist, John A. Howard, C. E. Morris, J. B. Handlan, W. M. Dunlap, Melville D. Post, Wm. F. Patterson, John J. Coniff, Frank W. Nesbitt, W. W. Arnett, J. B. Somerville, Frank C. Cox, James P. Rodgers, E. E. Boyd, Dennis O'Keeffe, Geo. E. Boyd, Jr., R. M. Addelman, W. P. Robinson, G. R. C. Allen, Robert White, M. F. Dryden, C. P. Flick, A. H. Wedebusch, Louis F. Stifel.

To Henry M. Russell and other Gentlemen of the Bar.

In response to your urgent and complimentary request, I will now announce myself as a candidate for the office of clerk of the circuit court. My hesitation to avow my candidacy, growing out of the environment, is removed by the expression of your kind interest in my behalf.

Please accept the thanks of yours very gratefully, JOHN WALTON.

STATE FAIR BOARD

Turns Down the Base Ball Project—A New Lithograph.

A fully attended meeting of the State Fair board of directors was held yesterday afternoon. After some little discussion among the members it was declared inexpedient to make a base ball diamond on the grounds, or lease to the Wheeling base ball club promoters. So there will be no base ball on the State Fair grounds.

The new program list was examined, revised somewhat and ordered sent to the printer.

The proposal to hold a spring race meeting came up, but action was deferred.

There were a number of designs presented for lithographic hangers for the annual fair. The one shown by a representative of the Courier-Journal Company, of Louisville, was adopted. It is a very artistic view of the grounds, with a deep, rich blue background and artistic lettering. It is the prettiest hanger the fair has ever had.

MR. SCHULZE DID NOT

Write the Coal Contract for the Gas Works which Went Into Effect in 1893.

No New Developments.

Mr. A. J. Schultze, who was a member of the city gas board when the coal contract was made and written in 1893, called at the Intelligencer office yesterday and said that he did not write the contract, as has been stated. He was away when that contract was made, and signed it on his return. When ex-Trustee Dunlevy asked him about the contract, however, he told him that he had written it. When he came to examine into the matter he found that he had written the last contract before that, and that Secretary George Hill had written the one dated September 6, 1893. This contract very plainly reads that the coal shall be delivered at the city gas works. Mr. E. Buckman was seen by an Intelligencer reporter yesterday. He said when he came into office the coal was being received in the Hempfield yard, and the

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gas board was paying for hauling it to the works. He never had any occasion to examine the papers, and the first intimation he received of any irregularity was from the printed report of the special committee.

A Really Great Show.

"Wang," with a large company of sixty people and two carloads of scenery, drops and properties, comes for one night only and its farewell visit here next Tuesday, at the Opera House.

Among the novel features of the much talked about comic opera "Wang," are a banjo chorus rendered by ten of the cleverest and prettiest girls in the company; a quartet and taking chorus of nursery rhymes given by several charming little tots, none of whom is over seven years old; a Siamese wedding ceremony reproduced accurately in every detail; a real steam launch and a royal barge floating among French men of mar at anchor in the harbor of Bangkok; and a really wonderful elephant whose method of getting rid of a four-gallon glass of beer is a mystery to the audience.

Frederic Bancroft To-morrow.

Frederic Bancroft, the prince of magicians, who comes to the Opera House Saturday matinee and evening, with his marvelous spectacular production of magic, undoubtedly marks a new era in amusements. He is the originator of a large number of magical deceptions that absolutely defy detection and which because of their extreme difficulty, can be performed only by himself. All the scenery, furniture and properties that need two special cars to convey them is carried, so that nothing whatever belonging to the theatre is used.

"The Derby Winner."

"The Derby Winner," the immense comedy production, which made a pronounced hit in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Pittsburgh, last season, and is more than duplicating its meritorious success this year, will be seen for the first time in Wheeling, Monday night, at the Opera House. This famous play with its strong plot, beautiful scenic accessories, excellent cast of artists, and fascinating comedy creations, is meeting with favorable criticism everywhere, and it comes to Wheeling highly recommended. In its company are a number of footlight favorites, among whom are Frank MacDonald, Eddie Quigley and Blanche Boyer, the wonderful little artist stars of Henderson's American Extravaganza Company, Mr. and Mrs. Omondie, Florence Allen, Gussie Gill and others of equal

merit. The \$10,000 stable scene, with the race horses in full view, and the great Derby race on the St. Louis Fair Association race course, are wonderfully realistic. Jack Glasscock will officiate as starter of the race. The company carries a band of little pickaninies, a carload of scenery and properties, and everything complete to properly present the massive production. The sale of seats opens this morning.

MOST men break down when afflicted with rheumatism. If they would try Salvo Oil they would find relief at once.

Money to Loan.

Money to loan on real estate—West Virginia Savings and Building Association, room 14 Masonic Temple. Office hours 6:15 to 8:15 p. m., every Monday.

DIED.

ZANE—On Wednesday, February 26, 1896, at 10:20 a. m., DANIEL F. ZANE, in his 63d year.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 53 South Front street, Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

STOEHR—On Thursday, February 27, 1896, at 8:30 p. m., AMBROSE STOEHR, in his 44th year.

Funeral notice hereafter.

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